

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation, and an egregious attempt to shotgun their views down the throats of the American public.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Like many independents in this nation, I am incensed by this attempt to load the deck of public opinion in an election year. Our nation deserves more, and it deserves more from the FCC. Thank you. Ed Kountz